

## Important Points

- The Indiana Long Term Care Insurance Program is also known as the "Partnership."

Partners are:

Public Sector

- State of Indiana thru the Departments of Medicaid & Insurance

Private Sector

- Long Term Care Insurance Companies

- Agents

- State adds unique benefit to Partnership policies: **Medicaid Asset Protection**. This State-added feature does not affect the price of the policies.
- Medicaid Asset Protection: *a minimum of \$1 of asset protection is earned for every \$1 of benefits used* under a Partnership policy. There are two types of asset protection: Total and Dollar-for-Dollar. Persons who initially purchase coverage equal to, or greater than, the State-set dollar amount in force for that calendar year may earn total asset protection upon exhaustion of the policy benefits. Those purchasing coverage less than the State-set dollar amount will earn dollar-for-dollar asset protection. The \$ amount of asset protection earned would be disregarded when determining the person's eligibility for Indiana Medicaid assistance. *Note: This is asset protection; not income protection.*
- Two types of policies available: Comprehensive and Facility-Only. Comprehensive coverage, which companies must offer, includes nursing home and home & community-based care. Facility-only policies provide coverage for only institutional care.
- Benefits in the policy may be used in any state. However, to receive the additional State of Indiana benefit of Medicaid Asset Protection, the person must return to Indiana\* when needing Medicaid assistance. (\*Or live in a state that has a reciprocal agreement with Indiana. As of 12-31-02, Connecticut is the only state with such an agreement.)
- All participating companies must have a policy available with a maximum benefit equal to one year of nursing home care at the minimum daily benefit. However, companies may offer any additional maximum benefit options they desire.
- All ILTCIP policies include inflation protection at 5% compounded annually in order to make the policy benefits meaningful over time.

- All ILTCIP policies use a state-defined benefit trigger. Therefore, comparison shopping between policies is easier for potential purchasers.
- Federally tax-qualified ILTCIP policies are available.
- ILTCIP policyholders may take an Indiana tax deduction for premiums paid beginning with tax year 2000 (taxes filed in 2001).

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